# CROATIAN-AMERICAN FULBRIGHT PROGRAM AND HUBERT H. HUMPHREY PROGRAM FOR THE 2008-2009 ACADEMIC YEAR



"The Fulbright Program aims to bring a little more knowledge, a little more reason, and a little more compassion into world affairs and thereby to increase the chance that nations will learn at least to live in peace and friendship." J. William Fulbright

The Embassy of the United States of America and the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports of the Republic of Croatia are pleased to announce the annual competition for **Fulbright Scholarships** and **Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowships** in the United States for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Scholarships are awarded competitively to Croatian citizens to study or research at American universities, and are subject to availability of funds.

# BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS

Croatian citizenship
Evidence of employment in the Republic of Croatia
University degree
Proficiency in English
Completed application package
Three references

# Applications and instructions are available from:

Ministry of Science, Education and Sports
Trg hrvatskih velikana 6, Zagreb
E-mail: marija.crnic@mzos.hr
Application forms are available at:
www.mzos.hr (Novosti or
Ministarstvo/Medjunarodna suradnja/Bilateralna
suradnja/SAD/Natjecaji)

Embassy of the United States of America Thomasa Jeffersona 2, 10010 Zagreb E-mail: <u>brleks@state.gov</u>

Application forms are available at:

www.usembassy.hr

(click on Fulbright or Humphrey Program in "Studying in the USA" box)

#### APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND COMPETITION SCHEDULE FOR ALL CATEGORIES

The competition is open from MARCH 1 to MAY 1, 2007.

Applications (hard copy) must be submitted in English. Handwritten, incomplete and late applications will not be considered.

All applications, including references, undergo technical and academic reviews. Candidates who satisfy all requirements will be interviewed by Croatian-American interviewing teams. Based on their recommendation the American Embassy and the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports will select the finalists and submit their names by October 2007, for final approval to the J. William Fulbright Board of Foreign Scholarships in the United States. Selected grantees will be notified of the final approval when their affiliations at U.S. universities are confirmed in May 2008.

Finalists for *Fulbright predoctoral* grants and finalists for *Humphrey* grants will be required to take a Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

#### 1) FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS (NON-DEGREE)

- A) Postdoctoral research (1 or 2 semesters); age limit: 55
- B) Predoctoral visiting research (2 semesters); age limit: 40 (minimum academic requirement: completed master's degree or confirmation of enrollment in a doctoral program in Croatia)

Categories under A and B: ANY FIELD

Priority will be given to candidates in the following areas: American studies, agriculture, anthropology, biosciences, economics/business administration, engineering, environmental studies, history, information technology, law, political science, sociology, public policy, public administration, and tourism.

Preference will be given to candidates with little or no previous experience in the United States. Recipients of Fulbright scholarship within the past 5 years will not be considered.

# 2) HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (NON-DEGREE)

(for civil servants at state and local levels, judiciary, non-governmental organizations, media professionals)

Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program brings accomplished mid-level professionals to the United States for a year of combined academic (NON-DEGREE) and professional work. Fellows are selected based on potential for leadership and commitment to public service.

#### **FELLOWSHIP FIELDS:**

**COMMUNICATIONS/JOURNALISM** NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT **PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AND BANKING HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT LAW / HUMAN RIGHTS URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING TECHNOLOGY POLICY AND MANAGEMENT **EDUCATIONAL PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION** PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY AND MANAGEMENT DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION, TREATMENT AND PREVENTION **HIV/AIDS POLICY AND PREVENTION NONPROLIFERATION STUDIES** 

TEACHING ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (TOEFL) - teacher training or curriculum development PREVENTION OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS AND POLICY

**RECRUITMENT:** Appropriate candidates are mid-career professionals in leadership positions who have the required experience/skills, commitment to public service and potential for advancement in their professions. Prospective fellows should have a minimum of five years professional experience and should be policy rather than research or technically oriented (the exception is drug abuse).

NOT ELIGIBLE: Recent graduates, university teachers with no management responsibilities (except in the fields of drug abuse prevention, and TOEFL), and individuals with recent U.S. or third country experience (more than 6 months within the last 5 years), individuals with dual U.S. citizenship or U.S. permanent residence status, individuals who have attended a graduate school in the U.S. for one academic year or more during the seven years prior to August 2008.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS: Croatian citizenship, permanent employment in Croatia, 5 years of professional experience, university degree, English proficiency, age limit: 50.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. How strict are the deadlines? Deadlines are firm.
- 2. May I apply for more than one opening? Yes, if you fulfill all requirements.
- 3. If I was not successful in previous competitions, can I apply again? Yes.
- 4. What are the selection criteria? The following factors are considered: professional qualifications, project proposal (quality, feasibility), how the acquired knowledge will be used upon return, English language competence, need for the project to be undertaken in the United States, personal qualifications, quality of references. Preference will be given to candidates with little or no previous experience in the United States.
- 5. What are the basic grant benefits? Round trip air fare, monthly stipend, book allowance, and settling in allowance.
- 6. Can family members accompany? Yes. You will be financially responsible for them.
- 7. Do I have to arrange university affiliation in the United States? Yes, in postdoctoral category. No, in predoctoral category but it is recommended.
- 8. Should I personally deliver my application? No. Applications should be mailed by *registered* mail to the U.S. Embassy or the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports.
- 9. Should I mail references together with the application package? No. Referees should mail or fax references directly to the U.S. Embassy or the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports.